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HONG KONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 1930.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR. — The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/6 1/4.

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DEFINITION OF A GUN IN COURT.

OWNERS OF LOCAL SHOOTING GALLERIES FINED.

INTERESTING TEST CASE.

Six Chinese owners of shooting galleries in various parts of the town were summoned before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham for unlawful possession of arms. The summonses were brought under the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance.

The defendants were Lam Cheuk, Wo Fan, Li Cheung, Sin Kau, Ho Chau, and Ip Chiu. Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for the first party and entered pleas of not guilty. He suggested that the Magistrate take only one case and he would abide by the ruling on that. Accordingly, the case against Lam Cheuk was taken:

Pop Guns Used.

Det-Sergeant Mottram said that at 8.30 p.m. on April 10 he visited the ground floor of 139, Des Voeux Road, Central, used as a shooting gallery for cigarettes. There were about twenty people present at the time, two pop-guns with corks being in use, similar to one produced. Altogether there were fifteen of these guns on the premises. The man in charge of the game was a man called Tsui Hing, and he gave the name of the defendant as the master of the gallery. Witness was accompanied by a Chinese detective, Lam Kwan, who had previously warned all these shooting galleries.

Mr. Rendall: What is your definition of a gun? Any weapon from which a bullet or missile can be fired.

Not Dangerous.

Do you call this a bullet? No.

Do you agree that a gun is a round barrel which will fire a missile? —Yes.

Have you seen children with pop-guns? —Yes.

And do you think they have licences for them? —No.

Before April 10, would you have arrested any child with a pop-gun? —No.

In fact, you did not know before then that a licence was necessary for a pop-gun? —No.

Have you experimented with the gun in Court? —Yes.

Is it dangerous? —No.

Sergeant Fired At.

At this point Mr. Rendall got the sergeant to fire the gun at his hand, and in turn fired at the sergeant, after which he asked the sergeant "Hurt you?" The sergeant answered "No."

Mr. Rendall: If I raise this weapon at you in anger, is there any danger? —No.

Relying to Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., prosecuting, Sgt. Mottram said that he had heard of cases in which persons had been intimidated by weapons such as the one produced in Court.

Mr. Rendall then elected to give evidence. In the witness box he said that about noon yesterday he went to Sincere's and asked for pop-guns and toy pistols. He bought a toy pistol, not quite similar to the one in Court, in that it shot a projectile with a rubber sucker at the end. He asked the salesman if Sincere's had a licence to sell the pistol, and was told that a licence was not necessary. He was also told by the salesman that to the latter's knowledge, no licence was necessary for him. (Mr. Rendall) to carry the gun.

For A 1/2 Years Old Boy.

About 3.30 p.m. yesterday Mr. Rendall went to the Arms Licensing Office at Central Police Station. The officer-in-charge was not in, so he asked a Chinese clerk for a licence for the pistol which he had bought at Sincere's. The clerk replied "Of course not. Such a pistol cannot be licensed." Mr. Rendall left the pistol, with a note to the officer-in-charge, asking for a licence in the name of his son, aged 2½ years.

At 4.30 p.m. Inspector Shafatin rang up Mr. Rendall at his office and told him that a licence was not necessary for the pistol. When the Inspector was told that it was a test case he replied that he would report to Mr. King. This morning, before going to Court, Mr. Rendall called at the Licensing Office to see if the licence was ready. He was taken to see Mr. Booth, who told him that enquiry was being made as to

RUSSIAN WHO HAD NO PASSPORT.

AUTHORITIES IN HONG KONG MAKE IT "ALL RIGHT."

MOTOR-CAR CHARGE.

A Russian lad, 16 years of age, named Alexander Ian Polovely, was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. Whyte-Smith charged on three counts concerning a motor-car, which he took out for a joy ride in Kowloon on April 28.

Defendant, who was in the dock, pleaded guilty to three charges of driving the car without a driver's licence, in a dangerous manner to the public in Jordan Road, and with taking the car out without the permission of Messrs. Alex Ross & Co. In connection with the third charge Mr. W. G. Robinson was complimented.

Sergeant Koretsky interpreted for defendant.

A New Arrival.

Prosecuting, Traffic-Sergeant Clark said that the defendant arrived in the Colony six weeks ago, and was permitted to stay here by the Director of Criminal Intelligence (Mr. T. H. King) for two months, in the care of the Russian community. He came here to look for an aunt, and he was known to have resided at 508, Nathan Road, top floor. The Russian community officials

MR. THOMAS HECKLED IN PARLIAMENT.

NEW TELEPHONE SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA.

CHANNEL TUNNEL PROJECT.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, reassembled after the Easter recess, Mr. J. H. Thomas was immediately besieged with questions in regard to unemployment plans. He replied imperturbably, generally referring to previous answers. Asked how he was faring in "internal Cabinet disputes" and unemployment, he replied: "I am looking fairly well." He mentioned that the British steel industry had already benefited by the railways ordering 24,000 tons of steel sleepers during the past year.

Mr. Lees Smith, the Postmaster General told a questioner that the charge for the new telephone service to Australia would be £2 a minute. The service would be inaugurated by a conversation between Mr. J. Scullin and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, at 8.30 a.m. to-morrow.

Mr. MacDonald told a questioner that the Channel Tunnel was the biggest piece of national policy before the Government at the moment, and there would be no delay in dealing with the matter. —Reuter.

Premier Questioned.

Rugby, Yesterday. Parliament reassembled this morning after the Easter holiday. A number of questions were on the order paper regarding important matters at issue. The Premier was asked whether he could now make any further statement in connection with the present position of disarmament arising from the recent conference, and whether any further negotiations had taken place with the object of concluding a Five-Power agreement. Mr. MacDonald replied: "Regarding the first part of the question I can say nothing useful within the necessarily restricted limits of question and answer. As regards the second part of the question I am in the negative." —Reuter.

Tokyo, To-day.

The Privy Council, at a meeting in the presence of H.I.H. the Emperor, approved the Sino-Japanese Tariff Agreement, adding that although the agreement was likely seriously to affect Japan's trade with China in future, approval was given out of consideration for friendship for China. As a result of the Privy Council's approval, Mr. Shigemitsu will be authorised formally to sign it. —Reuter.

found the boy work at the garage of Alex Ross & Co., Salisbury Road, Kowloon, where he was on one month's probation. He was quite good as a fitter, but on April 28, when nobody was about the garage, he took car 2722, and went up at Chatham Road, where the boy, unable to control the car, smashed it into a lamp standard.

No Passport.

His Worship queried the fact that the defendant, being so young, should have been allowed to land in the Colony, seeing he had no passport with him. Sergeant Clark replied, and explained that the lad lost his trunk together with his passport in Manila, and that it was the authorities who saw to it being "all right" for him here.

His Worship told the defendant that he was not allowed to drive anything unless he possessed a driver's licence. Defendant replied that he did not mean to make the car's engine work. It was all through a Chinese man, who started the car. Defendant was at the wheel.

Sergeant Clark pointed out that the Russian community here had decided to send the lad back to Shanghai by the Asama Maru, which sails to-morrow at one o'clock a.m.

His Worship cautioned defendant who will be taken care of by Sergeant Koretsky till to-morrow.

was a fit and proper person to hold a licence. "In the meantime," Mr. Rendall added, "the pistol is in the possession of the Police."

Discretion of the I.G.P.

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Mr. Rendall: Yes, but I don't see why there should be any difference between my son or any other boy.

Mr. Murphy: Do you agree that a dart can be fired from this gun? —Yes, if fixed to the cork.

This closed the case.

In his submission for the defence, Mr. Rendall said that it was admitted that the pop-guns were in his client's possession, but the question was whether or not they were licensable. The question was very open. He said that the title of the Ordinance was "the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, and wholly dealt with arms defined as follows: Every air gun, and every kind of gun from which any shot, bullet, or other missile can be discharged."

The legal definition of arms was anything which anyone in a fury or anger can take up in hand to cast at or strike at another.

Defendant: Oh, so long ago, I

cannot remember the day or month

HORRIBLE SCENES IN U.S. PRISON.

MADDENED CONVICTS DRIVEN BACK TO THEIR CELLS.

WORK OR STARVE.

Columbus, Ohio, Yesterday. A screaming, howling crowd of convicts are racing back to their cells before the firing of machine guns. This is the latest ugly incident at the penitentiary, which has been in a state of ferment since the fire, mutinous convicts refusing to work until the Governor was removed. The Governor announced they must work or starve. They planned a general escape last night, but met troops with machine guns, rifles, tear gas and bombs. Several were wounded. —Reuter's American Service.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:

The anti-cyclone is central to the north of Japan, with an area of relatively high pressure extending to the lower Yangtze Valley.

The depression over Indo-China has filled up.

Forecast: —E winds, light to moderate; fine to cloudy.

Rainfall.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 12.88 inches against an average of 11.61 inches.

Temperature and Humidity. The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:

Temp. Humid.

Hong Kong 73 93

Macau 72 98

Portuguese Islands 73 88

Manila 75 88

Amoy 73 95

Swatow 76 95

Chefoo 50 93

Shanghai 55 93

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ECHO OF PAISLEY CINEMA FIRE.

MANAGER FACES CHARGE OF CULPABLE HOMICIDE.

THE PADLOCKED EXIT.

London, Yesterday. A long queue, mostly of women, waited in the rain for hours for the opening of the trial of Mr. Charles Dorward, Manager of the Glen Cinema, Paisley, charged at Edinburgh with

culpable homicide in connection with the cinema disaster on December 31.

Lord Alness, (the Lord Justice Clerk) declared that the essence of the indictment was that it was Dorward's duty to keep the exits open, particularly as there were only two, and he had failed as the iron-trellis gate outside one exit was padlocked at the time of the disaster. "If the gate had not been locked the deaths of those children might have been avoided." —Reuter.

Telephone Service.

The Postmaster General said that charge for a new telephone service to Australia would be £2 per minute with a minimum of three minutes. The charge would therefore be at least £6. Asked whether the charge would be reduced at an early date if the service was successful, Mr. Lees Smith said that he could make no statement on this at the present.

British Wireless Service.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE &
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th May, 1930, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 28th April, to WEDNESDAY, 7th May, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 22nd April, 1930.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of May, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon. To receive, in pursuance of the Chairman's speech at the last Annual General Meeting of the Company, a Statement from the Chairman as to the position in regard to the proposals for the acquisition of the Motor Bus and Garage Undertaking of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Limited.

It is hoped that as many residents of the Colony as possible will attend this Public Meeting at the Theatre Royal, and thus give a practical demonstration of the support of the Colony to its new Governor.

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By kind permission of Lt. Col. H. B. Vernon, M.C., and officers, the band of the 3/15th Punjabis will play during the reception.

EDWARD & FANNY.

Mayoress's Mistake at Royal Function.

"Charlie Windham was captain of the Osborne, the Prince of Wales' yacht, and we stayed with him occasionally. He told us that once when he took the Prince and Princess of Wales to Dublin there was some civic function, and a book was produced for royal signatures.

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"He started to make himself agreeable: 'Say Lord Beresford, that's a rank bad seegar you're smoking—try one of mine.'

"However, he was not a bad fellow, and the voyage ended by Lord Charles asking him to dine the day after they landed. He protested that he had no glad rags with him. 'Oh, come as you like' said Lord Charles, 'only come.'

"The dinner went off well. Presently the American rose to his feet: 'Gentlemen, I see you all gazing coldly at my blue suit, and truly I would wish to be dressed otherwise.' But although I went round to all the costumiers and second-hand clothes shops to-day, I couldn't hire a dress suit anywhere for this evening, they all said the same thing—that Lord Beresford was having a big dinner to-night!"

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CAPTIVE PRIESTS.

No Official Confirmation
of Murder.

Peking, Yesterday.

The British Legation states that the two priests captured at Sian-tao-chen were the Rev. Fr. P. Laffan, a native of County Limerick, and the Rev. Fr. J. Lineham, a native of County Cork, both Irishmen attached to the St. Columba's Mission at Hanyang, Hupeh Province.

Up to the present no official confirmation has been received as to their murder.—Reuters.

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GENERAL NOTICES

RECEPTION ON THE ARRIVAL
OF H.E. SIR WILLIAM PEEL,
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OFFICIAL WELCOME AND
PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS.

AT A PUBLIC MEETING held at the City Hall on FRIDAY, the 4th April, it was decided to present H.E. Sir WILLIAM PEEL, K.B.E., with an Address of WELCOME on his arrival in this Colony, which will be during the morning of the 8th May next.

At the same Public Meeting it was decided that the whole of the Theatre Royal should be thrown open to the public without charge save only that the stage be reserved for the Reception Committee, Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, Representatives of the Navy, Army and Air Forces and the Heads of Public Departments, the first two rows of the stalls for the Consular Body and their wives and the representatives of the Churches, also the first two rows of the dress circle for ladies.

It is hoped that as many residents of the Colony as possible will attend this Public Meeting at the Theatre Royal, and thus give a practical demonstration of the support of the Colony to its new Governor.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 29th April, 1930.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

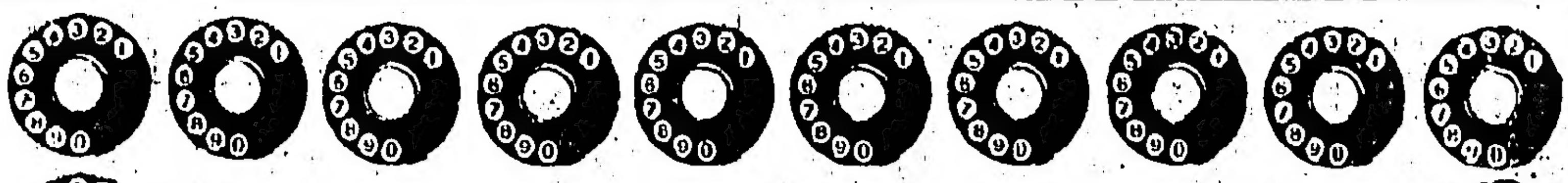
THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on FRIDAY, the 16th May, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1929.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 16th May, 1930, both days inclusive.

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THAMES BEAUTY.

Legislation to Prevent
Exploitation.

It is hoped that as a result of a determined effort to protect the amenities of the Thames, legislation will be passed to prevent the erection of unsightly

buildings and the excavation of gravel pits along the banks of the river.

The Twickenham Ratepayers' Association are asking the Middlesex County Council to call a conference of all Riparian interests in the county with a view to pressing for such legislation.

At present any owner of riverside land can build or dig as he likes, and in the Richmond and Twickenham districts long stretches of once pleasant

river bank have been turned to commercial uses, to the annoyance of the local council, who have spent large sums on preserving and improving the riverbank under their control.

Wideawake Owners.

"The only remedy we have," a member of the Twickenham Ratepayers' Association told a representative of the "Morning Post," "is for the Council to buy land which is threatened, but as the

owners always see us coming, as it were, the prices are generally prohibitive. The only remedy is for local authorities to have statutory powers to preserve the amenities of the river banks."

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SIBERIA MARU Saturday, 5th July.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.

KASHIMA MARU Saturday, 3rd May.

HAKONE MARU Saturday, 17th May.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

KAGA MARU Tuesday, 20th May.

TANGO MARU Tuesday, 24th June.

BOMBAK via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.

TAMBA MARU Sunday, 11th May.

+ CALCUTTA MARU Tuesday, 27th May.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.

HEIYO MARU Friday, 2nd May.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.

HAKATA MARU Monday, 5th May.

NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.

+ TSUYAMA MARU Sunday, 4th May.

ASUKA MARU Thursday, 15th May.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa.

+ TOYOKA MARU Thursday, 16th May.

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AMUR MARU Thursday, 15th May.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.

SANTOS MARU Tuesday, 20th May.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.

HONOLULU MARU Saturday, 5th May.

SHINNOU MARU Monday, 10th May.

DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.

MEXICO MARU Sunday, 4th May.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

SEATTLE MARU Monday, 5th May.

HIMALAYA MARU Sunday, 18th May.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from

MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.

MELBOURNE MARU Tuesday, 6th May.

HAIPHONG—Via Hoi An & Pakhol.

MENADO MARU Thursday, 1st May, 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports & Panama.

ARGUN MARU Saturday, 10th May.

JAPAN PORTS—

PEKING MARU Thursday, 1st May.

SUMATRA MARU Sunday, 4th May.

KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.

HOZAN MARU Sunday, 4th May, 3 p.m.

TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.

DELI MARU Thursday, 8th May, Noon.

TAKEUNG—

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OVERLOADING.

Norwegian Skipper Fined \$400.

Captain O. Olsen, of the Norwegian s.s. Haf Hing, was this morning fined \$100 at the Marine Court by Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired) before whom he appeared on a charge of overloading on April 28.

Boarding Officer R. J. Nunn testified as to seeing the vessel upon her arrival from Bangkok and Hoilow on the date in question, and that she was five inches over her mark.

Captain Olsen pleaded guilty, but advanced in extenuation that he was carrying 45 tons of fresh water, for which the Boarding Officer had made no allowance.

There was a choppy sea when he last loaded, and it was difficult then to distinguish the marks clearly. He was also new to the ship, and was under the impression that the T. F. mark was valid in Hong Kong.

Mr. Nunn said that the T. F. mark was two inches below the water. This mark applied only between Suez and Singapore.

His Worship convicted and imposed the fine as stated above.

KIEL CANAL TRAFFIC

Official Figures for February.

A report received by the Department of Overseas Trade from his Majesty's Consul-General at Hamburg states that the volume of traffic declined somewhat during the month of February: 3,010 vessels aggregating 1,247,493 net registered tons passing through the canal, as against 3,764 vessels aggregating 1,690,216 net registered tons during the preceding month. The average tonnage amounted to 414 net register tons, as against 445 net registered tons during January. The drop in traffic is accounted for by the regular decrease in the volume of trade during the winter months, but the figures for the month under review still show an increase on those of any previous month of February.

Of the 3,010 vessels, 1,602 aggregate 1,127,145 net register tons were registered as sea-going steamers, and of these 1,477 were cargo and passenger steamers of 1,120,639 net register tons, 93 tugs of 4,173 net register tons, 32 fishing steamers of 2,333 net register tons, 1,264 sailing craft aggregating 65,227 net register tons, 98 lighters and barges aggregating 32,296 net register tons, and 46 naval, service and pleasure vessels of 22,825 net register tons.

The cost of air transport was more akin to shipping than anything else, though shipping companies were not responsible for the cost of the establishment of docks, harbours, lighthouses, &c. Just as the Government took responsibility for the provision of lighthouses and docks, so a certain contribution from the public funds towards the expenses of ground organisation might reasonably be expected.

Flying boats had a distinct advantage over aeroplanes, and the North of England was more likely to be the chief air port than London. To start a service of flying boats, the cost would be £125,000, and the total expenses would be a quarter of a million. The carrying of mails alone would amount to a very considerable "hidden subsidy." All the towns interested should meet and discuss the situation.

The air line which had been proposed would be from Ireland to Hull and Hamburg, connecting up there with the main German system. It was highly probable that the line would pass through Liverpool, and would in the end result in an express service between Liverpool and Hull. Such a line would draw on the most important parts of the industrial north.

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LAUNCH MORTGAGE.

Plaintiff and Dr. Basto Makes Settlement.

FILING OF DEFENCE.

The case was again mentioned this morning at the Supreme Court, before Sir Joseph H. Kemp, K.C., acting Chief Justice, in which Chan Wan-po, on behalf of himself and all the partners of the Po On Company, sought a declaration that they were the rightful owners of the steam launch Sun Chi On.

The defendants cited in the action were Mu Chun-ling, alias Ng Shing, and Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto.

The allegation was that Ng Shing had misrepresented himself and had mortgaged the launch to Dr. Basto for \$3,000. Ng Shing was tried for fraud last year but he was acquitted.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Messrs. Ross, Russ and Company, appeared for the plaintiff this morning, and the first defendant was not legally represented. Dr. Basto was not in court.

Settlement Reached.

Mr. Sheldon informed his Lordship that the plaintiff had come to a settlement with Dr. Basto, and that he was only proceeding against the first defendant.

Counsel applied for a fortnight's adjournment because several of his witnesses were away in Canton. He also mentioned the fact that as yet the defendant had not filed his defence.

His Lordship (to first defendant):

You understand that you, being a defendant, are expected to file your defence. Strictly speaking, you should not be heard at all, but I understand plaintiff is not raising any objection on this point. That being the case, I take it that you also have no objection to the adjournment. If you wish to issue subpoena to witnesses you must apply to the Registrar.

Mr. Sheldon further asked the Court to request defendant to leave his proper address to the Clerk of the Court, so that any documents pertaining to the case might be forwarded to him. There had been much trouble in the past in locating the defendant.

Defendant, as requested, gave his address as 172, Reclamation Street, Yau Ma Tei.

The Terms.

The terms of settlement effected between plaintiff and Dr. Basto was understood to be as follows:

(1) The plaintiff admits that he is estopped from denying the validity of Dr. Basto's mortgage.

(2) Dr. Basto will pay his own costs.

(3) Dr. Basto will look to the ship for his security and will account to the plaintiff on his obtaining judgment against the first defendant in this action for any sum realised after deducting the mortgage debt, interest and usual mortgagee's costs, charges and expenses, and will then pay over any balance to the plaintiff.

The case against the first defendant will be heard on May 14 at 10.30 a.m.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning:

In Basin of R.N. Dockyard: Tamar, Somme, Seamount. North Arm: Sirdar, Stormcloud, Thracean.

In Dock: Hermes.

Foreign men-of-war in port were:

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TALAMBA	8,018	15th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TANDA	6,056	17th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,640	20th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RANFURA	16,801	23rd May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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AERIAL ATTACK.

The great strides made in aviation in recent years, and the belief that the next war, when it comes, will be settled by aerial combat, led to an intensely interesting discussion at the luncheon meeting of the Southampton Master Mariners' Club. The topic was "The Defence of Merchant Shipping Against Aircraft in War," and after a number of speakers had voiced their opinions a resolution was put to the meeting and carried, there being only two dissentients. This read: "That the members of the Southampton Master Mariners' Club consider the time has arrived when training should be available for Merchant Navy men and officers in methods of anti-aircraft defence, and suggest that courses should be inaugurated and made available."

After passing the resolution, the "Boat-steer" was requested to forward it to the Air Ministry for their consideration.

There can be no doubt that with the cutting down of navies and the rapid development of aviation the defence of Britain's trade routes from aerial attack will have to be seriously considered. Apart from the great cruising range of modern aeroplanes and the comparative cheapness of their production and operation, at least as compared with naval craft, there are other features which render them a vital force. An attack can for instance be launched with almost lightning rapidity by means of aircraft, and the fact that the majority of planes need but a small crew is another factor in their favour.

Anti-Aircraft Knowledge Essential

With the advent of aircraft carriers and flying boats, and the more recent development of airships capable of carrying aeroplanes, it will be possible for merchant shipping to be attacked with ease in zones where manoeuvring space is limited such as in the Gibraltar Straits or in the Suez or Panama Canals. Under such circumstances it is vital that the officers and men of the Merchant Navy should have some training by which they would be able to counter such an attack, and it was this suggestion that was enthusiastically advocated by the Cachalots.

At the present time a large number of the Merchant Navy officers take the Royal Naval Reserve course dealing with gunnery and torpedoes, but as far as aerial attack is concerned these will certainly be of only secondary importance. Anti-aircraft knowledge will, in short, be vitally essential.

Captain A. H. Rayner, R.D., R.N.R., the senior "Staff Captain" presided over the gathering, and the discussion was opened by Wing Commander H. G. M. Watkins, A.F.C., R.D.

Captain S. N. Braithwaite, M.B.E., said it was no use blinding themselves to the fact that the next war was going to be largely won or lost in the air, and that being the case it was essential that men should be trained in the handling of anti-aircraft guns which were practically the only means of defence from aerial attack. Just as the merchant service officer had gone through a short course in submarine work during the war, so should he now be trained to combat aerial attack as a means of defence in the future. Provided merchant seamen had the necessary knowledge and equipment he was quite satisfied that they would be able to give the enemy all they deserved, and more than he desired.

Policing the Seas.

Captain W. V. Clarke, D.S.C., said he was completely in favour of there being a course of training for Merchant Navy officers and men in the art of defence against aircraft. It was certain that they could not afford to stand still, for as time went on new methods of offence were evolved and new methods of defence had to be developed to deal with them. That being the case it was vitally necessary that the required knowledge should be imparted to the Merchant Navy as had been the case in regard to other matters.

Even assuming that aircraft was to play the premier part in the next war he was certainly not prepared to admit the obsolescence of cruisers and battleships, for he maintained that it was still to the navy that we should have to look for the protection of our trade routes and ensuring our food supply. Besides, aircraft carriers would be unable to police the sea routes without some adequate means of protection. In his opinion it would always be necessary to maintain some type of fleet, and he imagined that if it cruisers would preponderate.

It seemed to him a policy of suicide for Britain to reduce her navy to placate the United States, France, or any other power, for we were in the peculiar position of having to depend upon our sea-borne traffic for our very existence.

The U.S. was a self-contained nation, and it had been stated that she merely desired to have a sufficient navy to

protect her own coast.

He believed that the present-day Merchant Navy would quickly assimilate the facts of what was being done in the air, and was strongly in favour of the club framing some resolution with regard to the advisability of specialised training.

After the speaker had answered a few questions, Capt. Clarke suggested that as subsidies had been given by a past Government in respect of certain vessels which were available for the mounting of six-inch guns, so might a subsidy be given now for the new fast ships which were contemplated provided they were suitable for conversion into aircraft carriers.

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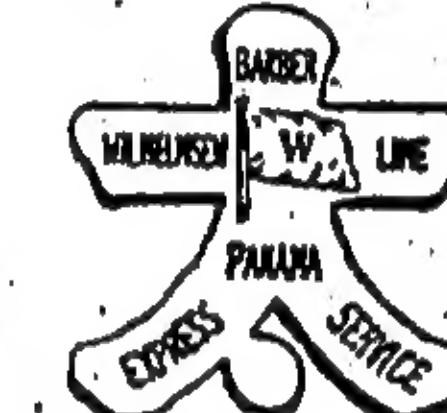
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SINGAPORE BASE.

No surprise need be created at the report in a London paper that the Government will soon consider the future of the Singapore Base. We are informed that in view of the agreement at the Naval Conference not to replace the battleship tonnage until 1936, Government circles are inclined to the view that Singapore as a battleship base is no longer necessary. Consequently a plan will be considered for adapting the work already done to a depot for airships and seaplanes in a scheme of inter-Imperial communications. It is added that the Dominions which contributed to the outlay on the Base will be consulted before a decision is reached.

The Labour Government apparently envisages a period when all battleships will be obsolete—that year by year this battleship and that shall be scrapped and never replaced, not even in 1936. Otherwise, how can it reconcile its opinion that Singapore is no longer necessary as a battleship base? In view of its past record in relation to the Singapore Base any action taken now by the Labour Government cannot come as a surprise. It is quite capable even of scrapping all the work hitherto done on the Base and writing off the entire cost of that work. Its folly is only exceeded by its ignorance of our naval needs in the Orient. It is utterly incapable of taking a long view of the situation. All that it cares about is the wooling of notoriety—manned popularity—in the sweet name of disarmament.

News in Brief

The *China Mail* is asked to state that owing to the death of the proprietor in India, the Kashmir Silk Store and Bombay Silk Store are closed to-day.

The Wah Hung Cheung wine and spirit shop, of Eastern Street, West Point, was yesterday summoned before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham, at the Central Magistracy, for attempting to defraud the Government by tampering with duty-paid labels affixed to jars of wine from Aberdeen. The licensee of the shop and a *toki* were both convicted and fined \$1,000 and \$500 respectively. A second *toki* was discharged.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy, with a certain offence against a married woman, and with harbouring her. On the application of Mr. Frank X d'Almada, the hearing of the case was fixed for Friday afternoon. Accused was allowed bail in the sum of \$500.

April 26 has been fixed as the Feast of the Blessed Don Bosco, but as this date is Saturday in Asia, the Salesian Institute will hold the ceremony on May 4. There will be Community Mass, with Fervorino, at 7.30 a.m., Solemn High Mass, at 9.30 a.m., and Vespers, Procession, and a sermon by the Rev. Father Granelli followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, at 4 p.m.

STABBING AFFRAY.

Three Chinese Appear
in Court.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith took evidence in a case in which three Chinese appeared on serious charges arising out of an armed robbery which was committed at Ngan Chin Wai, Kowloon City, on April 12. The victims of the robbery were a Chinese and his wife, and in a struggle with the intruders, the man was stabbed in the shoulder. The robbers decamped after about two or three minutes, taking with them a basket containing money and other property. They were chased but were lost sight of in a padi field.

Eventually first accused was arrested by a watchman of the Takulung Rifle Range. He had in his possession the basket stolen from the house. Second accused was arrested by the Police on information given by No. 1, and third accused on information given by the male victim of the robbery who told the Police that he knew the man who had stabbed him and gave his name as Hong Hung.

The case was adjourned.

GUN CASE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

What is a "Missile"? Dealing with the word "missile" in the Ordinance, Mr. Rendall submitted that it can have only one meaning, and that is the same as "shot" or "bullet." The cork used in the gun in Court could be fired only a few yards at the most, and then it required considerable skill to shoot it in a given direction. It could do no harm, and therefore could not be included in the meaning of the Ordinance—although it was a weapon that was capable of projecting a missile. The direction of the missile fired from this gun depended upon how the cork was fired.

The Licence Question.

Speaking on the point of getting licences for these guns, Mr. Rendall said that supposing that defendant had been to the Licensing Office he would have taken the Chinese clerk's statement that a licence was not necessary as authoritative. "In my case, of course, I went to the fountain-head, and I have no licence."

Mr. Rendall added that it was ridiculous to suggest that a licence was necessary for such a gun, which was the most popular of boys' toys. He pointed out the trouble that parents would get into if they wished to give a pop-gun as a birthday present to their children. They would first have to apply for a licence, then produce the licence when buying the gun, and the children would have to carry their licences every time they went out with the guns.

He asked the Magistrate to say that pop-guns did not come under the definition of the Ordinance. Police Objections.

Mr. Murphy said that the Police view was that shooting galleries were undesirable, and that the people attending them could acquire a lot of practice in the use of arms, and in view of the fact that arms similar to the one produced in Court had been used for intimidation, it was possible that the suggestion might occur to some of the people using these galleries. Therefore he asked the Magistrate to rule that it came under the Ordinance.

The Magistrate said that he did not know what was the real objection to shooting galleries, and he would not like to think that they were undesirable merely because they might suggest ideas.

However, he must find that pop-guns did technically come under the definition in the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance. Therefore he convicted defendant, and imposed a nominal fine of \$1.

Mr. Rendall: I want to apply for a summons against Sincere's for selling a pop-gun without a licence.

Found guilty. The Magistrate said he could do

In view of the Magistrate's finding, Mr. Rendall pleaded "guilty" and was also fined \$1.

**BRITAIN'S PROMISE
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**GOVERNMENT TO RATIFY EIGHT
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WORLD CONFERENCE.

Paris, Yesterday.

That the British Government will proceed with the utmost speed with the steps necessary to ratify the Washington Eight Hours' Convention, was promised by Miss Margaret Bondfield at this morning's session of the governing body of the International Labour Office, sitting here. She said that the passage of the Government's Bill would depend on the limitations imposed on the Labour Government's position in the House of Commons, but the measure would be among the first of the important bills to which the Government was pledged.

Miss Bondfield dwelt on the increasing need of an International agreement as regards workers and hoped that the British Government's action would stimulate and accelerate the establishment of international regulations.—Reuter.

HELENA MAY.

**Attempt at an Intelligent
Report.**

MR. ORE'S PUPILS.

No greater tribute could have been paid to the tutorial skill of Mr. Harry Ore than the finished style in which some of his pupils performed pianoforte pieces at the Helena May Institute last evening. The Chinese pupils gave quite lively and inspiring interpretations of Chopin, Beethoven, and Liszt, but Miss Gladys Heard's was easily the best performance. Mr. Sergei Stupin, who played Paganini's "Hungarian Rhapsody" exquisitely on the cello, stands in class apart. Mr. Ore himself played two short pieces by Schumann with his customary quiet confidence.

We are unable to give a longer criticism, since our representative was permitted to enter the hall only on the condition that he gave "an intelligent report." Apart from the intelligence test, he is unable to "report" music.

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**More About Our
Telephones.**

"Every subscriber his own operator." That is really what automatic telephones amount to. At the busiest time of the day some 90 telephone girls are operating in the Hong Kong Telephone Co.'s Exchanges at Central, Kowloon, and Peak, manipulating the various keys and cords necessary to establish connection between the calling and the called subscribers. It takes

the Company three months' intensive training to get each operator able to manipulate reasonably well, and a year passes before it can be said that she is a good operator. After May 3, however, during each of the busy hours of the day approximately 12,000 calls will be made, and made by many people who have never operated a telephone in their lives, except to turn the handle and call the girl.

The correct operation of the automatic telephone is the duty of the subscriber, and therefore it is imperative that he learn. The Telephone Co. issue simple instructions in their Directory telling subscribers how the telephone should be used, but all the printing in the world is not so efficacious as making a couple of trial calls on a demonstration model.

It looks as if automatic telephones have come to Hong Kong to stay, just the same as they have all over the world; therefore it is not much use sighing for the time when the operator was there to take the blame. The only person to blame, excepting in very rare cases, will be yourself, if your call goes wrong. Make an effort therefore to visit the demonstration model in the Telephone Co.'s offices at Exchange Building, fourth floor, and most of your problems will be solved.

on behalf of his four clients to technical offences, and they were also fined \$1 each.

Mr. Murphy asked for an order for the defendants to cease carrying on the gallery.

Mr. Rendall: I presume if they get licences they will carry on.

Mr. Murphy: No licences will be issued.

Mr. Grantham: In that case there is no need for an order.

The confiscation of the gun in Court was ordered by the Magistrate automatically.

The sixth defendant, Ip Chiu, was then charged with running a gallery at 122, Des Voeux Road, Central, where sixteen pop-guns were found. He pleaded "guilty" and was also fined \$1.

**LOCAL JOCKEY AS
COMPLAINANT.**

**CHINESE FITTER WHO STOLE
HIS CAR LICENCE.**

"PICKED IT UP."

Mr. F. M. L. Soares, a gentleman rider, was the complainant at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning in a case in which Wong Tuk (42) a fitter, was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith with the theft of a driver's licence, within the past ten days, the property of the complainant. The defendant was alternatively charged with receiving.

In answer to the charge, the defendant said that he picked up the licence outside the Peninsula Hotel, and kept it.

No Right To It.

His Worship said that he would take that as a plea of guilty to stealing, as picking up anything was the same as a theft. He had no right to it, and defendant should have handed it back to the Police.

Detective-Sergeant Naughton stated that the defendant was searched in the street yesterday morning by a detective and the licence was found in his pocket, wrapped up with two other motorizing appliances.

Reading defendant's record sheet, his Worship pointed out that he had four previous convictions, including 14 days for unlawful possession, and one month and six weeks respectively for larceny. Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed.

JAPANESE PRINCE.

**Arriving in Colony on
Friday.**

ON WAY TO EUROPE.

Their Imperial Highness the Prince and Princess Takamatsu will arrive here, on their way to Europe, by the a.s. Kashima Maru on Friday.

The Prince and Princess will be guests of honour at the luncheon given by local Japanese Consul and Mrs. Yoshida. The Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. Southorn will give a dinner in their Imperial Highness's honour at Government House.

Prince's Career.

His Imperial Highness Prince Nobuhito, the third son of the late Emperor Taisho, was born on January 3, 1905; assumed the family name of Takamatsu in July, 1913.

In 1911 the Prince entered the Primary Department of the Peers' School, and after finishing the third year course of the Secondary Department of the school at the end of March, 1920, entered the Naval Academy in May of the same year. Graduating from the academy in July, 1924, His Imperial Highness became a midshipman and was ordered to serve on board H.M.S. Asama and afterward on board the Nagato.

On December 1, 1925, he was commissioned Sub-Lieutenant, 2nd Class in the Imperial Japanese Navy and was decorated with the Grand Cordon of the Chrysanthemum, being transferred to H.M.S. Fusco on the same day; the following year to the Furutaka. After completing the ordinary courses of the Torpedo School and the Naval Gunnery School, the man, being transferred to H.M.S. Hiei in 1927. In the same year he was promoted to the rank of Sub-Lieutenant, 1st Class, and started on a visit to Australian ports on board the Yakucho of the Training Squadron.

After the voyage, the Prince was attached to H.M.S. Haruna in February, 1929, and in September of the same year was ordered to be on the Naval General Staff, and is still in the office.

His Imperial Highness married Princess Kikuko on February 4, 1930.

Ten Years Ago

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"Melody Lane" at the Queen's Theatre.

CATCHY TUNES.

Eddie Leonard, famous American "negro minstrel," is seen and heard to great advantage in "Melody Lane," which is now showing at the Queen's Theatre. Together with Josephine Dunn, Eddie's portrays the trials and tribulations of a young vaudeville couple who drift apart, and after many vicissitudes, finally come together.

It can hardly be said that the theme, or the handling of it, is very original, but Leonard introduces one or two tuneful numbers into the film, and the heroine acts in the most acceptable manner. The picture was very well received by the audience last night, and makes good entertainment, some of the glimpses of vaudeville life in America being very well done.

The feature film is preceded by an attractive picture, "The Love Tree," and the Brox Sisters entertain in movietone.

ERNEST TORRENCE'S SCOTS ACCENT HEARD IN "UNTAMED."

Ernest Torrence has taken his Scottish accent out of the mothballs, dusted it thoroughly and is using it in Joan Crawford's first all-talking picture, "Untamed," which will come on Thursday to the Queen's Theatre.

The gigantic Ernest was taken to America originally to play a very Scottish Scotsman in musical comedy. For years he aired his natural Highland tongue in scores of stage productions. During the last decade, however, he has been in silent pictures and there has been no need for the peculiar intonation of those who come from Glasgow, Edinburgh, or Aberdeen.

"Untamed," however, gave him his first Scottish rôle in talkies—and the "burr" which had almost disappeared from the Torrence diction has returned miraculously overnight.

Besides Torrence and the star, Joan Crawford, the cast of "Untamed" includes Holmes Herbert, John Miljan, Cunard, Don Terry, Gwen Lee, Eddie Nugent, and Tom O'Brien.

"BRAVEHEART."

From the play "Strongheart," written by William de Mille, his brother, Cecil B. de Mille produced it on the silver screen as "Braveheart." This film, starring Rod La

Roeque, and Lillian Rich, is the attraction at the Majestic Theatre for the last time to-day at the usual times.

De Mille, it is generally said, is lavish in his productions, and executes his directorship with like skill. That is what de Mille has brought into "Braveheart"—a vivid conception of Indian fishing nights at Nohowon River, their customs and tribal living.

In the featured role of Braveheart, Rod La Roeque is typical, and his acting is graded as that of the highest.

In the course of the film scenes of Strathmore College, where Braveheart is sent to learn the white man's business, are depicted, also an American football match.

Lillian Rich is the opposite star, and Robert Edeson, Arthur Hornsby, Tyrone Power, and Frank Hagney are in the cast.

The next change, to-morrow, will be "The Fifty-fifty girl," with Bebe Daniels and James Hall.

YAUMATI THEATRE.

To Be Opened To Public in July.

Built to accommodate 1,000 people, a new building in Waterloo Road, known as the Yaumati Theatre will be functioning in July, when British and Chinese films will be shown.

The new theatre is situated in very busy and thickly populated surroundings, its northern boundary being Waterloo Road, eastern boundary Shanghai Street, western boundary Reclamation Street, and a smaller street forms the square enclosure. It is near the Yaumati Post Office.

The Yaumati Theatre has an imposing entrance made of granite, and the building on the whole is modern, its roof being strongly constructed with iron.

There will be three classes, first, second and third, the first class holding 300 people, second 300 and third 400.

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"THE NEW YORKERS."

Play to a Poor House at the Star Theatre.

That versatile toe-dancer, Ruth Van Valey, and her troupe of New Yorkers gave another delightful performance at the Star Theatre last night, but they were very poorly supported by the Hong Kong theatre-goers.

Although there was hardly a new item on the programme, all the turns were refreshing and delightful. Ruth Van Valey and Smiling

MURDER CHARGE.

Man's Head Nearly Severed

CHOPPER AS WEAPON.

A Chinese named Fung Yau was to-day charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell with the murder of a compatriot named Tam Chap on the second floor of 345, Queen's Road West, on April 28.

Accused did not plead. He seemed to think deeply for a couple of seconds, and then queried: "Tam Chap?"

Divisional Inspector Bloor told the Magistrate that he had been instructed by Mr. T. Murphy to ask for a week's formal remand.

Asked for the facts, the Inspector said that at about 4 p.m. on the 28th, the accused set fire to an unoccupied cubicle on the floor where the tragedy occurred. Then, picking up a chopper, he proceeded to the bath house, a sort of lean-to shed, where the master was having a bath. He hacked twice at him with the chopper, alleged the Inspector. The first stroke nearly severed the man's head, and the other split his skull.

The accused then attacked a second man, it was alleged, and also wounded him in the head. Ten other men living in the house then cornered accused on the verandah and were attempting to disarm him, when accused called their attention to the fire in the cubicle. Having successfully diverted their attention from him, accused escaped from the house. He came back at 7 o'clock the following morning and was arrested.

Mr. Lindell inquired about the motive, and the Inspector said that the motive was not clear at present, but there appeared to have been an old quarrel between the two men. The second man was wounded when he attempted to intercept the accused as he was coming from the bath-house.

In giving a week's formal remand, the Magistrate directed that accused be kept under observation in the meantime, in case the question of insanity was raised at a later stage.

Inspector Bloor replied that this would be done.

Jack Medford carried the performance through with flying colours. Their terpsichorean art is the envy of all dancers.

The Manikins act was also well received.

The company are giving their last performance to-night.

UNION CHURCH.

Excellent Acting in Two Plays.

The closing event of the social season at the Union Church, Kowloon, took place last night, two amusing one-act plays being given, supported by pianoforte solos by Mrs. Dinnen and conundrums by Mr. D. F. Warren.

The plays were, "The Man with the Bowler Hat" and "Five Birds in a Cage." The latter farce was better, the Rev. J. H. and Mrs. Johnston taking the leading parts, ably assisted by three young members of the Young Peoples Society. Mr. Johnston in the role of "Lord Port" was the cause of much laughter.

Refreshments were served during an interval between the plays.



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Act 1, "They Come, They Come,"
Frank Mullings, Heddle Nash and Chorus with the British National Opera Company's Orchestra.
Pagliacci: (5)—Prologue (First Part), (Weatherley and Leoncavallo).
Harold Williams, Bartone with the British National Opera Company's Orchestra.
Pagliacci: (6)—Such A Game,
Frank Mullings, Marian Licitte and Chorus.
Miriam Licette, Harold Williams, Bartone with the British National Opera Company's Orchestra.
Pagliacci: (7)—Hark, 'Tis The Bagpipes; and Bell Chorus (1st Part).
Frank Mullings and Chorus.
Pagliacci: (8)—(a) Bell Chorus (Concluded); (b) How Fierce He Looks;" (n) The Chorus (b) Miriam Licette, Soprano.
"Faglacci: (9)—Ballatella; High Aloft They Cry."
"Faglacci: (10)—I Know That You Hate Me,"
Miriam Licette and Harold Williams.
"Faglacci: (11)—You Mock Me; Too Long I've borne It."
"Faglacci: (12)—My Fate Is In Thy Hand,"
Miriam Licette, Harold Williams and Dennis Noble.
"Faglacci: (13)—Why Has Thou Taught Me?"
Miriam Licette and Dennis Noble.
"Faglacci: (14)—Tread Lightly, Lightly,"
Miriam Licette, Frank Mullings, Dennis Noble and Harold Williams.
"Faglacci: (15)—Ah, Stay, Good Master,"
Frank Mullings, Heddle Nash and Harold Williams.
"Faglacci: (16)—Or With The Mollie,"
Frank Mullings, Tenor.
"Faglacci: (17)—Intermezzo, Act 2" (Leoncavallo).
The British National Opera Company's Orchestra.
"Faglacci: (18)—Opening Chorus Act 2, "Quickly, Sweet, Gensis,"
Miriam Licette, Dennis Noble, Heddle Nash, Harold Williams and Chorus.
9 p.m.—Weather Report.
The following Programme will be relayed from Studio:
Piano: Mr. H. Orr.
Violin: Mrs. H. Belan.
Accompanist: Mrs. Griggs.
1. Piano Solos: (a) Menuet in E.
Flat Major (Mozart).
(b) Sonatina No. 17 in D Minor (Beethoven).
2. Violin Solos: Polonoise Brilliant (Wieniawski).
3. Ah, Yes, 'Tis Now The Hour Entancing." (Pagliacci) Columbia Record.
4. Piano Solos: (a) Prelude, Song Without Words (Mendelssohn) And Scherzo.
(b) Romance in F Sharp Major.
Davis Candler March. (Schuman).
5. Violin Solos: (a) Caprice Viennese (Kreisler).
(b) Canzonetta from Concerto Romantique (Godard).
(c) Yes, Farfadet.
Pur, pur, I Know Them Art. (Pagliacci) Columbia Record.
7. Piano Solos: (a) Nocturne in F Sharp Major.
(b) Polonoise in A Major, Chopin.
(c) Goldshower from the Weeping Tree (Cantos Melody). (H. Orr).
e) Prelude in G Minor (Rachmaninoff).
8. Violin Solos: Rondo Capriccioso (Saint-Saens).
9. No. Punchinello, No. Moro. (Pagliacci) Columbia Records.
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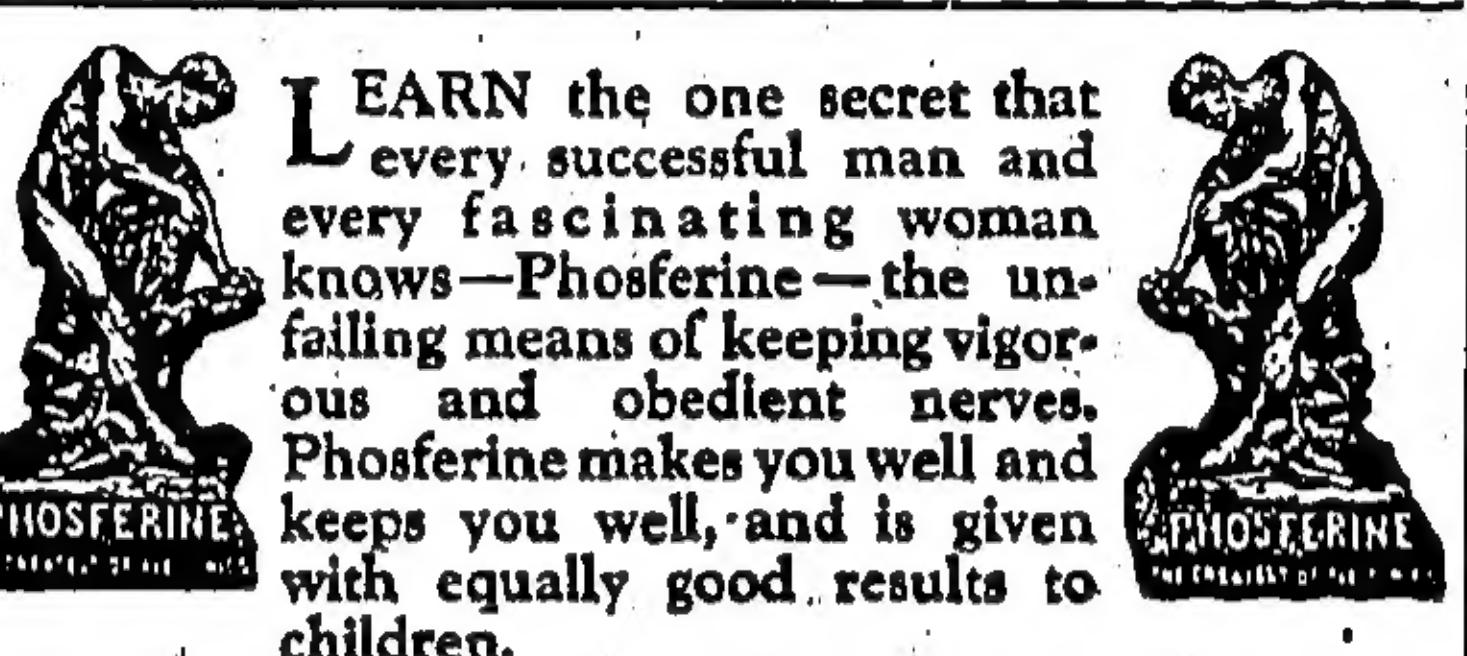
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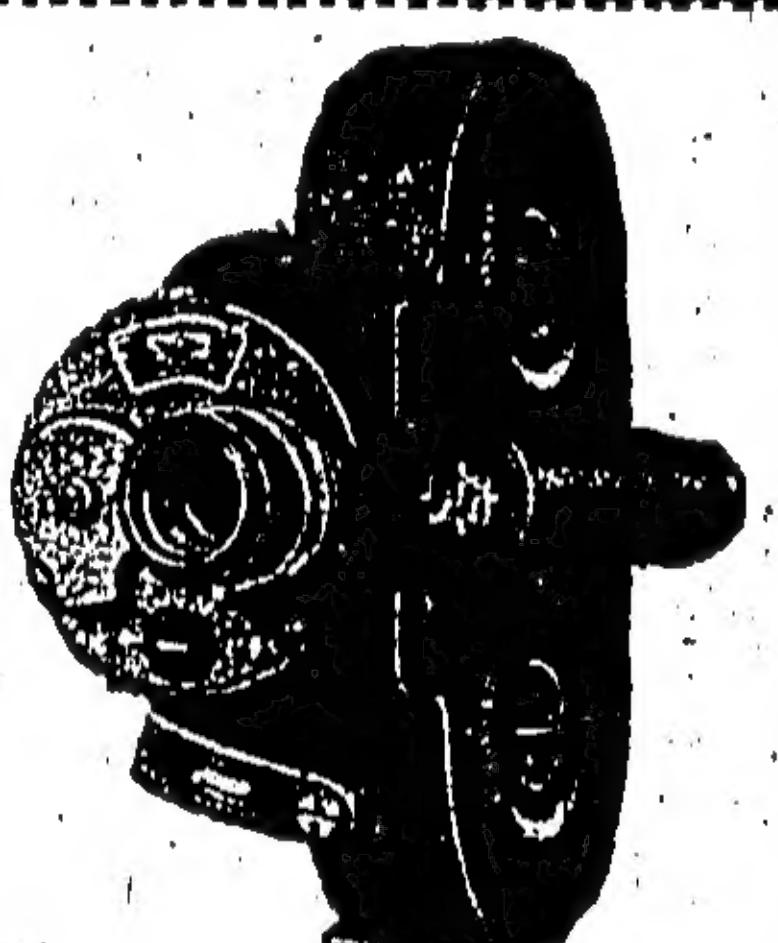
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Sport Columns

INDIAN ATHLETES HERE.

OFF TO FAR EASTERN OLYMPICS.

INNOVATION THIS YEAR.

The *China Mail* had the pleasure of a call yesterday from Mr. S. K. Mukerjee, coach and manager-delegate of the Indian Far Eastern Olympic team, which is on its way to take part in the meet at Tokyo on May 24. The party are aboard the *B.I. s.s. Tilawa*, which arrived here yesterday morning, and will sail for Japan on Thursday. The athletes will detrain at Kobe, and do the balance of the journey to Tokyo by rail.

This is, of course, the first time that Indian athletes have taken

Our Sports Diary

LOCAL

Football—To-day—Division II—South China "A" v. South China "B", Caroline Hill; Easterly v. University, H.K.F.C. ground; Kowloon F.C. v. H.K.F.C., Kowloon F.C. ground.

May 1—Referees' Association, 5.30 p.m.

Tennis—To-day—Exhibition Matches, H.K.C.C. ground, 4.45 p.m.

May 1—Entries close for K.C.C. Tournament.

May 10—Tennis League commences—Division "A"—H.K.C.C. v. C.R.C.; S.C.A.A. v. I.R.C.; M.B.K. v. K.C.C.; Division "B"—C.R.C. v. N.C.; H.K.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.; U.S.R.C. v. H.K.U.T.C.; E.Y.M.C.A. v. I.R.C.; K.C.C. v. C.C.C.; Division "C"—C.S.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.; C.T.C. v. F.C.; K.C.C. v. C.R.C.; Club de Recreio v. I.R.C.; H.K.U.T.C. v. K.I.T.C.

May 12—K.C.C. tournament commences.

Sports—To-day—Entries close for Open Mile Race at Hong Kong Area Athletic Sports.

May 2-3—Hong Kong Area Military Athletic Sports, Army Athletic Ground, Sook-kumpoo.

Golf—Saturday and Sunday—Captain's Cup, Fanling.

Racing—May 17—Extra Race Meeting.

Lawn Bowls—May 8—League commences—Division I—K.D.R.C. v. C.C.C.; K.C.C. v. K.B.G.C.; Police R.C. v. Club de Recreio; C.S.C.C. v. Tafko R.C.; Division II—Tafko R.C. v. R.H.K.Y.C.; C.C.C. v. K.C.C.; Club de Recreio v. C.S.C.C.; K.B.G.C. v. H.K. Electric Co.

May 10—Entries for Open Singles Championship close.

Water Polo—May 10—Entries close for League, 6 p.m.

HOME

Rugby Football—May 8—Rugby League Cup Final, Wembley.

Golf—May 6-9—British Professional Championship, Southport.

May 12-16—British Ladies' Open Championship, Formby.

May 15—Walker Cup—Great Britain v. America, St. George's Golf Club.

May 22-24—England v. Scotland, St. Andrews.

May 26-31—Amateur Championship, St. Andrews.

Racing—May 7—Two Thousand Guineas, Newmarket.

May 18—Chester Cup.

May 17—Jubilee Handicap, Kempton Park.

Cricket—May 17-19—M.C.C. v. Australians, Lord's.

May 31-June 3—Test Trial Match, England v. The Rest, Lord's.

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RIFLE SHOOTING.

Practices for the Interport.

NEW TALENT WANTED.

Further practices for the Far East Interport rifle match will be held on Saturday and Sunday next at Taihoo Range, commencing at 2.30 p.m. each day. An invitation is extended to all shooting men not affiliated to local Clubs to come and "try out."

Results of recent matches in the Hong Kong League are as follows:

On April 12 at Stonecutters, H.M. Duckyard beat the Volunteers by 625 points to 580; and Stonecutters E. beat the Volunteers by 700 points to 580, and the Somersets by 700 points to 682.

Four teams shot a match at Stonecutters on April 16, the scores being: Stonecutters E. 699, Somersets 665, Hong Kong Police 588, and Argyll and Sutherland 541.

On April 20, four teams shot at Stonecutters, the scores being: Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. 667, Taihoo Rifle Club 656, R.A.F. (Kai Tak) 658, and Hong Kong Police 541.

On April 21, at Kowloon, the Argyll and Sutherland beat R.A.F. (Kai Tak) by 575 points to 545.

League Table.

The League table, corrected to April 25, is as follows:

	F. W. L. Pts.
Stonecutters E.	9 9 0 18
1st Stonecutters I.L.	8 6 2 12
Taihoo	7 5 2 10
(N. & M.) Y.M.C.A.	6 3 3 6
H.M. Duckyard	6 2 4 4
R.A.F. (Kai Tak)	7 2 5 4
Armed (A. & S.)	4 1 3 2
Hong Kong Police	6 1 5 2
H.K. Police Reserve	2 0 2 0
H.E.V.D.C.	3 0 3 0

CHOPPER ATTACK.

Woman Who Did Not Want to Be Sold.

SERIOUS WOUNDS.

A Chinese man was at the Kowloon Maystry this morning charged before Mr. Whyte-Smith with assaulting a woman in the Asia Boarding House, Yatmali, with a chopper. Defendant frankly admitted the charge.

Det-Sergt. Fletches, prosecuting, said that defendant became acquainted with the complainant (an inmate of brothel) in the ninth moon last year. After staying several nights with her they decided to go to Canton. On their return the defendant approached the complainant with a view to taking her to be sold to a brothel in Siam. She refused, and the defendant grabbed a chopper from the cook house and inflicted wounds on the woman's head and neck.

His Worship said that it was a serious case, and sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour.

CAFE'S OFFENCE.

An Insanitary Bakery for Cakes.

CONVICTION SECURED.

Mr. K. S. Hulse, manager of the Alexandra Cafe's bakery was this morning summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell for keeping the bakery, where cakes are made, in an insanitary condition. Notice was given to the defendant to remedy the condition on April 10, and on April 14, when the place was again visited, nothing had been done about it.

A Sanitary Inspector said that now the defendant was spending a lot of money cleaning up and generally renovating the place.

Magistrate: So that the taking out of this summons has had the desired effect?—Yes.

In view of the fact that defendant was now complying with the requirements of the Sanitary Department, Mr. Lindsell imposed a nominal fine of \$5.

ARREST RESISTED.

Peak Servant Objected to Search.

CONSTABLE AND ARMS.

A Chinese stated to be employed at 167, The Peak, was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell by a Shantung constable on the Peak last evening.

The constable said that at about 6.30 p.m. he was walking along Mount Kellet Road, in the direction of Jardine's Bridge when the accused passed him near house No. 161, carrying an umbrella and a bundle. He stopped the accused and told him that he wanted to search the bundle.

Magistrate: Why?—Because I suspected he had arms in the parcel.

Mr. Lindsell: I don't believe it. Never heard of a man walking about the Peak with a bundle of arms. Absolute nonsense!

However, the constable was allowed to proceed with his evidence. He said that on being told he would be searched the accused used a very offensive expression and pushed witness away, saying:

"I have no contraband. You can't search me."

"See His Master." The constable asked accused to go to the station to be searched, but accused in turn asked the constable to accompany him to house No. 167 and see his master. When he was seized by the constable, accused struggled. Then an Indian constable came up, whereupon the accused submitted and went to the station quietly.

The Indian constable corroborated the accused using offensive language and struggling. Eventually another Chinese advised accused to go quietly, and he did so.

Accused said that he put up his hands immediately the constable said he wanted to search him.

The constable pointed out that accused could not have done so because he had the parcel and umbrella in his hands.

Accused: I held them up also!

Asked by the Magistrate why he was arrested if he submitted, accused said that the constable accused him of being noisy in answering him.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10 or 10 days' jail.

COAL MINES' BILL

Supported by the Lord Chancellor.

TENSION AND BITTERNESS

Rugby, Yesterday.

Lord Sankey, the Lord Chancellor, moved in the House of Lords the second reading of the Coal Mines' Bill which, as he informed their Lordships, proposed firstly to regulate production and the sale of coal; secondly, to facilitate the re-organisation of the industry; thirdly, to reduce working hours; fourthly, to establish a National Board for the Industry.

Mr. Justice Sankey, who was Chairman of the Commission which reported on the coal situation of 1926, said that he was persuaded that the bill was a step in the right direction and would do something to dispel the cloud hanging over the great industry and remove the tension and bitterness which too long had darkened many a miners' home.

No Interference.

The Marquess of Londonderry, who is himself a coalowner, intimated that on behalf of the Conservative majority in the House that they would not reject the bill on the second reading but would endeavour to modify and amend its provisions and return the Bill to the House of Commons in a less dangerous form. He contended that the coal industry required to be left to itself without interference and to continue its own methods of re-organisation.—British Wireless Service.

DUTY EVADED.

A Chinese was at the Kowloon Magistrate, this morning, fined \$70 with the alternative of one month's jail, for the possession of 36 bottles of Chinese wine, on which duty had been evaded.

Det-Sergt. Poynett stated that the bottles were found concealed under some vegetables in the lavatory of the B. & S. steamer Sunning.

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REDS ACTIVE.

Kwangtung Border Now Threatened.

MARTIAL LAW DECLARED.

Canton, Yesterday.

Communists Che and Mao, who were recently defeated and chased out of the Kwangtung Province into Kiangsi where they invaded Sunfeng, Tingnan and Langnan on the southern border of Kiangsi, are now again threatening the Wooping district on the northern border of Kwangtung.

The Wooping Magistrate, Mr. Liang Pucham, has declared martial law, prohibiting the public to enter or leave the entire district after 7 p.m.

A meeting was called at which it was decided that every village in the district should send 50 local militia to the city; to enlist new recruits for the defence of the district; that 1,000 volunteers be sent to Muiling, about 60 lis from Langnan, to prevent further advance by the Reds; and to despatch a wire to the Canton authorities for reinforcement.

It is reported that the 8th Route Army Headquarters have ordered Brigadier General Mao Wei-shou and the Defence Commissioner, Lin Chang-huang, of the East River, to proceed to Wooping and the surrounding districts.

Colonel Chang Chi-ying, of the 4th Independent Regiment, has been despatched to Swatow area to assist the Kiangsi authorities in laying siege to and exterminating the Reds.—Canton News Agency.

Yunnan to Attack.

Canton, Yesterday.

A letter has been received from Counsellor Ho Tso-fong of the 6th Route Army, who was commissioned by the 6th Route Army Headquarters to Yunnan Province a month ago, stating that Chairman Lung-yu of the Yunnan Provincial Government has decided to despatch three divisions of Yunnan troops, under Generals Lu Hon, Chu Kok, and Chang Feng-chun to attack the rebels in Kwangsi at the end of this month, and that Ho himself will return to Wuchow as soon as the Yunnan troops have departed from Yunnan.—Canton News Agency.

First Crook: You're tryin' to see my cards!

Second Crook: Talk sense, man—didn't I deal 'em?

Author: I have been trying to think of a word for two weeks.

Friend: How about fortnight?

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HOME POLITICS.

Interest in Fulham By-Election.

WOOING THE LIBERALS.

London, Yesterday.

The by-election at West Fulham is arousing unusual interest in consequence of Mr. Arthur Gale, the Liberal candidate at the General Election, urging Liberals to support the Tory, Mr. Cobb.

The Labourites and Conservatives are now wrestling for the Liberal vote with equal confidence. Hitherto the local Labourites claim a victory in the quantity, and the Conservatives in the quality, of their Liberal allies.

The Labourites have accepted offers of assistance from four Liberal candidates for other divisions.

The Conservatives vaunt the support of the former Liberal Minister, Mr. McCurdy, now the leader of the Empire Free Traders.

Anyway it is alleged that the Lloyd George-MacDonald pact of amity has obviously not been ratified in West Fulham. The Dominions may be interested in the fact that Lord Beaverbrook is a constituent of West Fulham. It is there he drafted the first Empire Trade scheme, and submitted it to Mr. Bonar Law.—Reuter.

The by-election at West Fulham is caused by the resignation, owing to ill-health, of Mr. Spero (Labour).J.

Mr. John Galaworthy, after watching the shooting of a scene in the talking film version of "Escape," at Beaconsfield, gave an interview on the subject of the screen and its possibilities.

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—

Bank, wire 1/6 1/16

Bank, on demand 1/6 1/2

Bank, 30 days' sight 1/6

Bank, 4 months' sight 1/6 1/4

Credits, 4 months' sight 1/7 1/16

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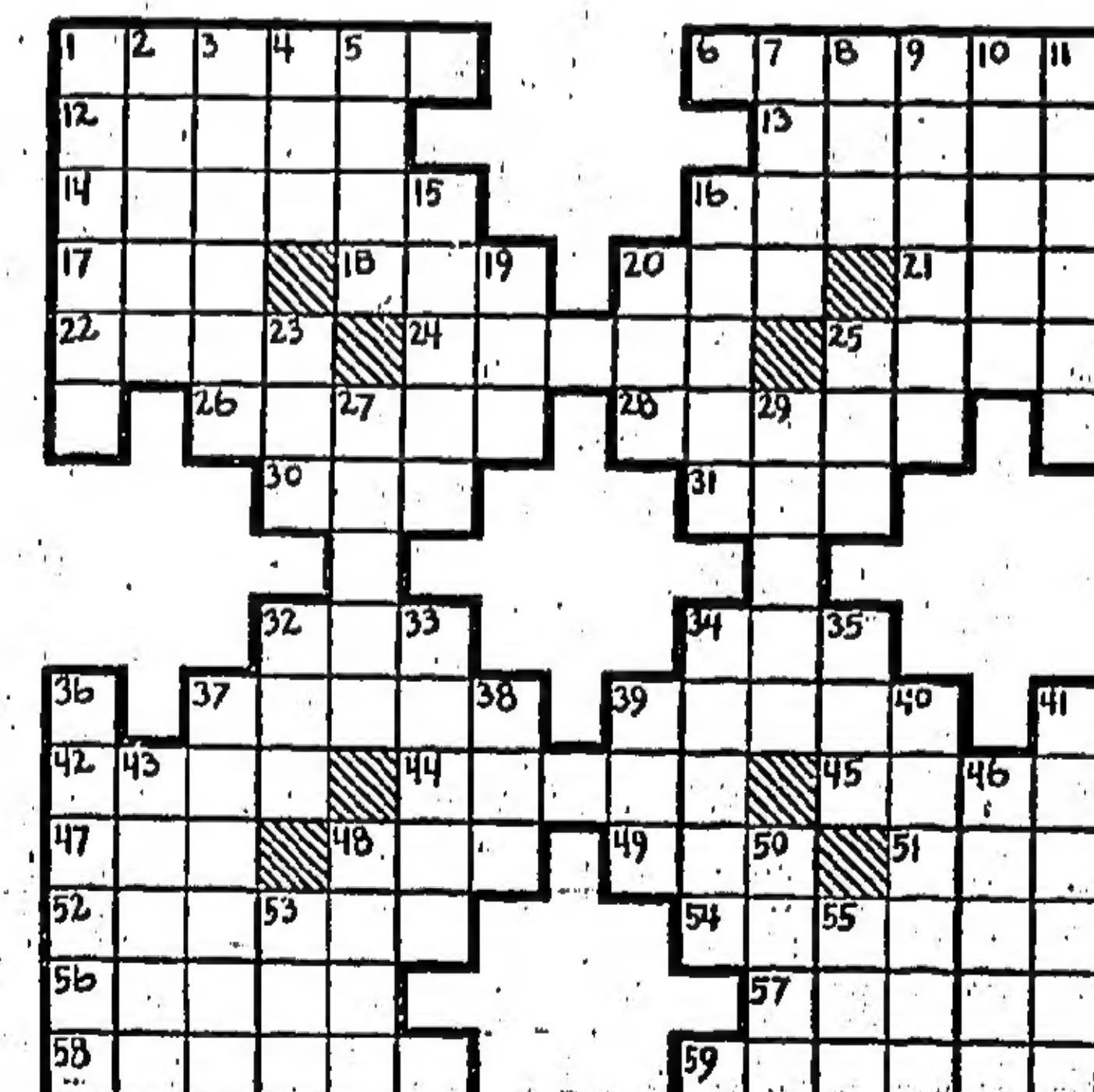
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1—Confused noise
6—Pertaining to a footless animal
12—To expect
13—Coronet
14—A city of China
16—A liquid measure
17—An eagle
18—And not
20—Intersection—con-tempt
21—Muscle-switching
22—S—of a water-plant
24—Wanderer
25—To press
26—Smallest in size
28—Once more
30—To be sorry for
31—Termination
32—Turkish felt cap
34—A dead hole
37—A metallic element
39—One who has committed a felony
42—Story
44—A bird-harbinger of spring
45—One's name
47—A Tunisian tribe
48—Appropriate
49—Intersection—con-tempt

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

51—Hastened
52—Vessel made with staves and hoop
54—Capital of the British Empire
56—Mohammedan prince
57—A New England State
58—Endured
59—One who fences
60—Another name for rock shaker
62—Cognac
63—A kind of soft coal
64—Outfit of tools
65—Nodding English school
7—An Egyptian god
8—Greasy liquid
9—Originator of atomic theory
10—A plant of the arum family
11—Sister married with a lance
15—Pertaining to Scandinavian peoples
16—Deep ravine

VERTICAL

19—Decay
20—A vegetable
22—German for "the"
25—To command
27—Tool for boring holes
28—Block of steel on which metal is forged
32—Enemy
33—African skunk-like carnivore
34—Pertaining to punishment
35—High rocky pinacle (Eng.)
36—A Moorish taber
37—Sounds loudly, as a trumpet
38—Negative
39—A falsehood
40—Pertaining to the blond people of N. W. Europe
41—Mien
43—A tropical lizard
45—Obstinate spelling of "fear"
46—Face one does in fear
48—To snuff, to snare
49—Short in money

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

PART	ODIN
SEA	PAT
S	SPAR
SPAR	EROS
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LEARN	TAP
TAP	AIL'S
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SPA	SUR
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REFER	P JANE
P JANE	NOTELET
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A TABER	ALICE
ALICE	ART
ART	NOSE
NOSE	DEA
DEA	ARSON
ARSON	OPE
OPE	S
S	DARE
DARE	PEARL
PEARL	SPEN
SPEN	ERR
ERR	MESA
MESA	ROME

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

BORN IN CHINA.

(By Dorothy Herzog.)

Her name is Winifred Laurence. She was born in China some twenty years ago. The Chinese staged a revolution and rather than contribute to a chop suey course, Winifred and family fled to Russia, her mother's native country. They lived in St. Petersburg until the Russians ate marital yeast and did a little rising of their own. Again the family fled, this time to Paris. Miss Laurence is now an assistant director at RKO. Her introduction to pictures was in Paris, where she got a job with the First National Exchange. But the future held no gleam, so after a serious conference with finances she sailed forth to the U.S.A.

It was while in New York that she got in touch with the M. G. M. scenario department. Her ability to speak and to read French like a Parisian made her valuable.

By and bye, M. G. M. signed a Russian Director. He and his wife arrived in New York, unable to speak English. Miss Laurence was recruited to travel West with them and to work with him at the studio in an interpretative capacity.

Luck collapsed after a few months of this. Miss Laurence found herself out of a job. She tried extra-ing as a means to a meal. But extra-ing, at its best, is precarious. So she chucked pictures and went to Glendale where she proceeded to work in an oil factory—or isn't there such a thing as an oil factory?

A few months of this and she abandoned the job to return to Hollywood and clerked in a bank. Famous Players gave her a call one day and put her to work. She later became a 'script' girl and is now an assistant director at RKO, helping to transpose talkies into French and German.

Miss Laurence is young and enthusiastic and intelligent. She has covered many miles in her life and absorbed colour and atmosphere galore. One of these days, she'll be a director. She's the only assistant woman director in Hollywood. She's due to be the third directress. Lois Weber led the way. Dorothy Arzner carried on. There'll be a niche for Winifred Laurence. Her courage and determination smacks of a Horatio Alger go-getter. Fighting it alone in a strange land is no cinch. And if you'll please notice, I don't add even for a woman.

"MADAME SATAN."

The week that Cecil DeMille starts his forthcoming operetta "Madame Satan," promises to be a busy one. His daughter gets married the same week. Cecilia DeMille, to a young Los Angeles business man. Well, if DeMille insists on beginning his picture that week he should be busy and no sympathy in the paragraph.

NOT A STAGE TRICK.

Actress Strikes Man in the Stalls.

Miss Jean Collins, leading lady in the revue "High Toppers," left the stage at a Bath Theatre and slapped the face of a man in the stalls.

This incident followed interruptions and "cat-calls" during her song with Gack Mayo.

Miss Collins, interviewed, said that the man whom she struck was one of several who were sitting together in the front stalls.

"I tried to carry on, but the disturbance was too much," she said. "It was the first time that anything has ever made me cry on the stage; but if such a thing occurs again I should feel justified in taking the same action."

The man who was struck is indignant because he contends that he was not responsible for the conduct which aroused Miss Collins's resentment.

"Someone sitting two or three rows behind me (I was in the front row), passed rude remarks about Miss Collins," he said "and it was those which brought her down."

"Unfortunately she singled out the wrong man. I shall expect an apology from her in writing," he added, "and if it is not forthcoming I shall consult my solicitor."

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A TABER	ALICE
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In this manner a large part of the original production can be reproduced abroad for a small portion of the first picture's cost."

Lesser Opposition.

Last year was notable in that it saw the settlement of several anti-American moves in various countries. In some cases opposition to the American films melted away because of the obvious failure of home companies to meet the demand of the cinema-going public while in others quota agreements were made that satisfied both American and foreign producers.

The most spectacular phase of the industry in the past few weeks has, of course, been the litigation in connection with Fox enterprises, involving vast sums of money. The present status of this litigation seems to assure the payment of the \$49,000,000 of obligations which are due during the next six weeks or two months, and the various court hearings have served to show the enormous earning power of these properties. There has been much other litigation in the industry during the past year, particularly suits brought by the United States Government for alleged infringements of the anti-trust laws. These have not apparently injured the companies concerned, although they have caused worry to shareholders.

Position of Shares.

The weighed index of seven leading motion picture shares compiled by the Standard Statistics Co. shows them to stand at 37 points above the 1929 low, although still 35 points below the 1929 high. Few share groups can equal this showing at this time. Conditions in this industry change too fast, and investors in Great Britain or the Continent are too far away from the scene of action to warrant them in trading in the Fox shares.

Probably the soundest share in this field is Paramount-Famous Lasky Corporation. This company owns or leases about 1,200 theatres, and its position is exceedingly strong, whether viewed from the standpoint of production, distribution, strategic situation, or cash. Warner Brothers is another outstanding share. This company owns the Vitaphone Corporation, and royalties covering patents extending over the next fifteen years owned by another subsidiary are said to amount to \$95,000,000. Earnings are high and management good.

Much share market interest is also being taken in Loew's Inc. This company is involved in the Fox difficulties to some extent from the fact that Fox owns about 40 per cent of the common shares of Loew's, but its financial position and management are good and earnings are on a high level. There are many other American film securities, but in no case is the outlook so clear as in the case of those mentioned above.

A Widening Public.

The fact that technical development has now made it possible to produce opera on the talking picture medium has resulted in drawing within the ambit of the better class cinemas an entirely new clientele. Thousands who formerly scorned the silver screen have been converted by the results which the new group of producers have been able to achieve. Rapid as has been the perfecting of the talking picture, all the leading producers are known to possess patents which will result in much strengthening of the position of the talking picture in the general field of public amusements.

There is now a disposition to make fewer and better pictures, and this appears to have worked greatly to the advantage of the industry's earning ability.

No Language Troubles.

The language question which, when the talkies were first introduced, was thought to be an almost insurmountable problem, seems well on the way to solution. This has greatly strengthened the export side of the big American producing companies and, unlike so many other American industries, this year's export values are again expected to set a record. A well-informed report on the situation says:

"Although the movement toward wiring of theatres for sound motion-picture showing has been much slower abroad than in the United States, it is, nevertheless, making progress. Domestic producers, in consequence, have been analyzing the situation, and are planning changes in production methods to meet the new demand. Exports constituting a considerable factor in total business, it is important that steps be taken to keep this division on a profitable basis."

"It is probable that the language barrier will be satisfactorily overcome in talking production. Reproduction of an American movie in a French studio, for example, through the substitution of an entire French cast, is one of the feasible methods suggested."

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DUCHESS OF BEDFORD COMES TO GRIEF.

BROKEN OIL PIPE FORCES PLANE DOWN IN BULGARIA.

HOPES TO START SOON.

Rugby, Yesterday.

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DELEGATES RETURN

COOL RECEPTION BY NEW YORK.

NO ENTHUSIASM.

INFLUENCE OF THE HEARST PRESS.

New York, Yesterday.

The American delegates from the London Conference drove in motor cars in a procession to the City Hall via Broadway. The streets were lined with interested but comparatively silent crowds. There was a noticeable absence of paper-streamers from the skyscrapers, which usually characterize big American demonstrations.

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Aerial Welcome.

New York, Yesterday.

The naval delegates have returned from London. They were met by a naval escort, and the airship Los Angeles dropped a welcoming communication on the deck of their liner. —Reuter's American Service.

DELHI PAPERS CEASE PUBLICATION.

NEW TURN OF EVENTS IN INDIA DISTURBANCES.

MAYOR IN PRISON.

Delhi, Yesterday.

In view of the demand for 50,000 rupees security under the Press Ordinance the committee representing the Delhi newspapers has decided to suspend publication indefinitely and produce a common skeleton sheet.

Calcutta, Yesterday.

Sengupta, now serving six months' rigorous imprisonment for sedition, has been unanimously re-elected Mayor of Calcutta for the fifth time. —Reuter.

Premier on India.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Secretary for India was asked in the House of Commons by Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Conservative leader, whether he could make a statement regarding the position in India. He replied that in respect of up-to-date developments of the civil disobedience campaign he could add little to the full and on the whole accurate reports which had appeared in the Press. As reported in the Press, serious disturbances had occurred at Karachi when, during the trial of six of the principal leaders of the movement in Sind, a disorderly crowd broke into the Magistrate's court. The Police were forced to fire before the crowd could be brought under control. The situation was, however, restored the same day.

Serious Outbreaks.

Since the House rose on April 17 there had been two particularly serious outbreaks of disorder, the first at Chittagong on April 18 and the other at Peshawar on April 23. That at Chittagong was the work of the Bengal Anarchical Association. These were immediate reactions of the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act, which had been repealed on April 1. The Peshawar outbreak was a corollary to the arrest of eleven local Congress leaders. It was to-day reported that the disturbance took place on Sunday in Madras City, where the police were forced to fire on the crowd. On April 27 the Governor-General promulgated as an emergency measure an ordinance re-enacting with some modifications the Press Act of 1910, which was repealed in 1922. He concurred with this action. He declared that he could make no further statement regarding the situation, which was engaging the constant attention of His Majesty's Government and the Government of India. —British Wireless Service.

BRITAIN AND SOVIET.

Negotiations for a Final Trade Treaty.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Questioned in Parliament about the British and Russian negotiations, Mr. Arthur Henderson said that the temporary commercial agreement between the British and Soviet Governments was signed on April 16. Negotiations were at present proceeding for the conclusion of a temporary agreement for the regulation of certain fishery questions. Negotiations would also probably be begun shortly for the conclusion of a definitive treaty of commerce and navigation to replace the temporary agreement already submitted for the formal convention regarding the appreciation of treaties concluded with the former Imperial Russian Government, which had also been communicated to the Soviet Government. Negotiations regarding debt claims and counter-claims, both inter-Governmental and private, were also being pursued. —British Wireless Service.

BRITAIN & EGYPT.

Delegates Await Reply from Cairo.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons regarding the British and Egyptian negotiations, Mr. Henderson, Foreign Secretary, said that on the resumption of the negotiations this morning the Egyptian delegation stated that the courier whom they sent to Egypt immediately after the adjournment on April 17 had not arrived. In these circumstances, they requested that the negotiations be adjourned until Monday next. If the courier arrived in the meantime the negotiations could be resumed before then. —British Wireless Service.

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